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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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In response to the Office Action dated April 25, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1-3 with the following claims:

1. A multilayer inductor comprising:

a plurality of magnetic layers stacked on each other;

through-holes formed in the stacked magnetic layers; and

a plurality of coil conductor patterns disposed between the plurality of magnetic layers and spirally connected to each other via the through-holes;

wherein the area of a projected plane of a circuit of each coil conductor pattern